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EXPERIENCE

Academic

Assistant Clinical Professor of Law – University of Connecticut School of Law – 2008

I teach lawyering process courses to first year law students.

Professor of Legal Writing – Roger Williams University School of Law – 2006 to 2008

I developed and taught legal writing and research courses to first year law students. I also taught an upper level legal drafting course.

Assistant Clinical Professor – Quinnipiac University School of Law – 2005 - 2006

I taught and supervised law student interns in the civil clinic. I organized an ethics clinic which provided students the opportunity to collaborate with the State of Connecticut Disciplinary Counsel's Office prosecuting attorney grievance cases. I taught a clinic pre-requisite course: Introduction to Representing Clients. I advised and assisted students preparing articles for publication in the QUSL journals.

Legal Skills Instructor – Quinnipiac University School of Law – 2002 - 2005

I developed and taught legal research and writing and lawyering skills courses to first year law students. I also acted as an unofficial faculty advisor for students and supervised many students preparing law review articles.

Adjunct Professor – Quinnipiac University – 2004

I developed and taught a legal research course for the undergraduate Legal Studies department.

Adjunct Professor – University of Connecticut School of Law – 2003

I created and taught a professional responsibility/ethics course.

Adjunct Professor – University of Rhode Island – 2003

I created and taught a crime and delinquency course for the Sociology department.

Professor- Metropolitan State College of Denver-1990 - 2002

I was a tenured professor in the Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology. I created, designed and taught law courses for the CJC department, the Honors Program, the Legal Studies minor, the Women's Studies Institute, and the English department. I created, designed and taught several distance learning courses and online courses.

Adjunct Professor – University of Colorado- 2002

I designed and taught a new graduate level course in conflict resolution for the Department of Political Science.

Instructor-Denver Paralegal Institute-1985 -1987, 1991 – 1996

I developed and taught business law, civil law and civil procedure courses to paralegal students.

Judicial

Hearing Officer-City and County of Denver, Colorado-1990 – 1995

I heard and entered rulings in administrative matters.

Associate Municipal Judge-Federal Heights, Colorado-1990 – 1992

I heard and entered rulings in municipal code violation matters.

District Court Magistrate-First Judicial District, Colorado-1987 – 1990

I heard and entered rulings primarily in domestic relations and juvenile matters. I oversaw the daily operations of my courtroom. I supervised court personnel.

Legal Practice

Bar examination tutor – 2004 - present

I privately tutor and prepare aspiring attorneys for the Rhode Island, Connecticut and New York bar examination.

Mediator/Arbiter-1990 -present

I have extensive mediation, arbitration and training experience in legal, academic and business settings. I was associated with the Rocky Mountain Legal Resolution Center, a mediation and arbitration group comprised of former judges and Federal magistrates.

Attorney-private practice-1983 -1987, 1990 - 2002

I have broad experience in civil litigation, family, administrative and criminal cases. I have worked as a prosecutor, a contract public defender and a pro bono immigration attorney. I am familiar with municipal courts, state courts, administrative bodies and regulatory agencies.

Healthcare

Program Director and Administrator-1978 – 1980

I created and directed health education programs for non-profit agencies. I developed training programs for healthcare professionals. I wrote grant proposals, did fundraising, prepared and maintained fiscal affairs, counseled patients, acted as a consultant and supervised staff. I worked at hospitals and clinics with doctors, nurses, administrators and other professionals. I did a lot of community outreach and organized jointly sponsored programs.

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor (JD) – 1982*

Golden Gate University School of Law and University of Colorado School of Law

Master of Public Health (MPH) - 1978

University of California, Los Angeles

Bachelor of Arts (BA in psychology) - 1976

University of California, Los Angeles

*I am admitted to practice law in Connecticut, Colorado and the U.S. Federal Court.

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

Marcia Canavan, *Holistic Education in a Law School Clinic*, 25 Quinnipiac Law Review 337, 2006.

Marcia Canavan, *Using Literature to Teach Legal Writing*, 23 Quinnipiac Law Review 1, 2004.

Michael O'toole, Paul Katsampes & Marcia Minuck, *The Significance of Jail Administration in an Era of Public Competition*, Corrections Management Quarterly, Vol. 4, November 1998.

Paul Katsampes & Marcia Minuck, *Bringing The Jail To The Forefront*, Corrections Management Quarterly, Vol. 3, June 1997.

Books

Canavan, M., *Ethics: readings and materials*, Kendall/Hunt Publishing, Iowa, 2001.

Canavan, M., *Woman's Law*, William S. Hein & Co., Inc., Colorado, 2000.

Canavan, M., Borchers, R., *Colorado Juvenile Law: cases and materials*, Kendall/Hunt Publishing, Iowa, 1995, 1997, 2000, and 2001.

UNPUBLISHED MANUSCRIPTS

Marcia Canavan, *A Story of Chthonic Wisdom: Dostoevsky's Crime and Punishment* (2008).

PRESENTATIONS

Canavan, M., "Ego-free Lawyering," Roger Williams School of Law Roundtable, Bristol, Rhode Island, February 2008.

Canavan, M., "The Self and the Professor," New England Legal Writing Consortium Meeting, Springfield, Massachusetts, June 2004.

Canavan, M., "The Self and the Legal Writing Professor," Fourth Annual Rocky Mountain Regional Legal Writing Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2004.

Canavan, M., Schairer, M., "Using Literature to Teach Legal Writing to First Year Students," Third Annual Rocky Mountain Regional Legal Writing Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 2003.

Canavan, M., "Alternative Dispute Resolution and Family Law," Pitkin County Bar Association Meeting, Aspen, Colorado, December 2001.

Canavan, M., "Conflict Resolution," Colorado Bar Association Annual Convention, Vail, Colorado, October 2001.

Canavan, M., "Alternative Dispute Resolution," Colorado Continuing Legal Education, Denver, Colorado, September 2000. (co-sponsor and organizer)

Canavan, M., "Sexual Harassment Law," Academy of Business Administration 1999 National Conference, Reno, Nevada, April 1999.

Minuck, M., Sandoval, J., "Sexual Harassment Update," Mountain Plains Management Conference, Denver, Colorado, October, 1998.

Minuck, M., "The Self and the Practice of Law," 23rd National Conference on Women and the Law, San Francisco, California, March 1998.

Minuck, M., "South Africa: A Nation in Transition," Tenth World Issues Forum, Denver, Colorado, April 1997.

Minuck, M., "Confessions of an Ex-Juvenile Court Magistrate," American Society of Criminology, Phoenix, Arizona, October 1995.

Minuck, M., "Women, the Courts and the Constitution," Eighth World Issues Forum, Denver, Colorado, April 1995.

Minuck, M., Farkas, P., "Literature and Law: An Interdisciplinary Approach To Team Teaching," Trustees' Conference, Denver, Colorado, 1994.

Minuck, M. "Literature and the Law: Some Points of Intersection," Denver, Colorado, 1993.

Farkas, P., Minuck, M., "Literature and Law: Team Teaching an Interdisciplinary Approach to Comparative Interpretation," Southwest Region of the National Council of Teachers of English, Reno, Nevada, October, 1992.

PANELS

Canavan, M., panel chair, "Public Policy: Law, Bureaucracy and Public Policy," New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Providence, Rhode Island, April 2008.

Canavan, M., panel member, "Lawyers, Social Workers and Child Abuse," Denver, Colorado, April 2000.

Minuck, M., panel member, "Affirmative Action," Denver, Colorado, November 1997.

Minuck, M., panel member, "Bio-ethics in Death," Denver, Colorado, September 1996.

Minuck, M., panel member, "Women and the Legal Profession," Denver, Colorado, October, 1995.

Minuck, M., "Sexual Harassment," symposium presentation, Denver, Colorado, 1994.

Minuck, M., Colorado Bar Association Juvenile Justice Program, March 1993.

Minuck, M., Criminal Justice Symposium, Denver, Colorado, November 1991 and 1992. I was also a member of the Board and planning committees for these symposiums.

EXPERT WITNESS

Adams County District Court

Expert witness for petitioner on attorney's fees in a dissolution of marriage trial - 2000.

Denver District Court

Expert witness for petitioner on attorney's fees in a dissolution of marriage trial - 1996.

El Paso County District Court

Expert witness for the plaintiff in a legal malpractice trial - 1995.

Denver District Court

Expert witness for the plaintiff in a legal malpractice trial -1994.

Colorado Supreme Court Attorney Disciplinary Proceeding

Expert witness for the State of Colorado in an attorney disciplinary proceeding - 1993.

Julesburg District Court

Expert witness for the respondent on attorney's fees in a dissolution of marriage trial - 1991.